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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Security

Oz:

Reference your 15 June 1971 study on restricted areas:

Since the NSA grey line phone problem could have a large dollar impact — and probably time also if a lot of new work were required — I think that should be explored before we offer the package to ExDir and the Deputies. Naturally, it would have to be on an "if" basis since the decision is yet to be made. I am sure though that Colonel White would want to know about the phones before trying to decide.

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Mr. Wattles:

In April you asked Security to "develop a proposal for eliminating the barrier areas and a plan for implementing alternative systems with a projected timetable and submit it by 15 June 1971." The idea was that we would submit the plan to the Executive Director-Comptroller for consideration at a meeting of the Deputies. With that in mind, you suggested that they need not attempt to get coordination from the affected components.

Security's memo says they don't feel they can develop a plan and timetable except in cooperation with the individuals who will be affected. They are asking that you approve in principle the plan that Restricted Areas, together with their barriers, receptionists and guards, be eliminated; that components occupying these areas be grouped in areas using cipher locks; and that they attempt to get NSA agreement with the change.

I would have thought that your memorandum was enough evidence of the approval in principle they now request to eliminate the barriers and permit them to go to NSA. What they really need is further guidance about how far to go in getting the people with the barriers stirred up about possible changes that may never occur.

I believe the injunction against getting coordination was to avoid such stirring up and to avoid having affected components crystallize positions in opposition to change before we had the opportunity to hoist it up before the Deputies.

I am not convinced that it should be necessary to go to the affected components in order to be able to put together a concept for consideration by the Deputies. If approval of the concept in principle by the Deputies is still the desirable tactic, then we may be able to put together a reasonable paper from here, using what we have from OS and can get from OL/LSD.

Alternatively, we might go back to OS and tell them, in substance, to do what they should have done in the first place. This would probably take another month and we have already told Colonel White we would have something 45 days after 30 April 1971 -- which is like now.

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You might talk to Oz [] and try to explain to them what we want and give them a short fuse to produce something.

My inclination would be to let this be one of [] tasks. He could work with somebody in OS and OL. Meanwhile, OS could undertake to negotiate with NSA. Perhaps you should lay it on with Oz or [] if you decide to go this route.

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If you prefer a memo back to Security, I will draft one.



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Att:

DD/S 71-2391, Removal of Turnstiles from Restricted Areas in the Headquarters Building

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